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EUGENE A. CONTI, JR.
SECRETARY

January 9, 2012

Dear Business Associate of the North Carolina Ports:

I would like to inform you that effective today, Monday, January 9th, Tom Eager will no longer be the executive director of the NC Ports. This change is part of a larger strategic logistical reorganization that is taking place within the Department of Transportation and the entities that operate within the NCDOT reporting structure.

In the short term, Jeff Strader, Chief Financial Officer for NC Ports, will manage day-to-day functions of NC Ports' business. Any significant policy concerns should be directed to my office and the NC Ports Authority Board.

As valued clients and partners, I want to reassure you that there will be no changes in the level of service we intend to provide to you. The rest of the NC Ports' management team remains in place and will continue to work closely with you.

It is my intention to continue to find synergies across NCDOT, NC Ports and Global TransPark over the coming months as we receive the results of the NC Maritime Strategy and continue to work closely with the NC Logistics Task Force and the Logistics Coordinating Council created by Governor Perdue last year.

In the coming months, we will initiate a national search for a Statewide Logistics Director who will help lead North Carolina boldly into the 21st century and help direct our implementation of a greater, bolder vision for connecting people and moving goods across this great state and improve our ability to compete in the global economy.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Eugene A. Conti, Jr.".

Eugene A. Conti, Jr.

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